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**RESPONSE TO  
NOT FULLY RESPONSIVE REPSONSE**

Dear Sir:

This response is being filed in reply to the communication mailed November 11, 2010. In that communication, the Examiner alleges that the Applicant failed to elect the claims which are readable on the elected species.

In the previous action, the Examiner required an election, under 35 U.S.C. § 121, between one of the following alleged patentably distinct species of the invention:

- I. Figures 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 1G, 1H, 1I and 1J;
- II. Figures 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D;
- III. Figures 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D and 3E;
- IV. Figures 4A, 4B, 4C and 4D;
- V. Figures 5A and 5B;
- VI. Figures 6A and 6B;
- VII. Figures 7A and 7B;
- VIII. Figures 8A and 8B;
- IX. Figures 9A and 9B;
- X. Figure 10; or
- XI. Figures 11A, 11B and 11C.

Reconsideration of this requirement for election of species is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The Applicant believes that the present invention contains various embodiments of a single inventive concept. All eleven species contain the features presently recited in claim 17 which is currently generic to all of the species. Moreover, the Applicant believes that claim 17 is allowable and consequently all species of the invention should be prosecuted in one and the same application for efficiency reasons. It is respectfully submitted that all of the species of the